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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This correspondence is in response to the Office Action December 24, 2008. A response is due on or before June 24, 2009, with a petition and payment of fees for a three month extension of time. A petition for a three month extension of time is hereby requested.

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